

BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT LONNIE L. SLATER

Chief Master Sergeant Lonnie Slater is the Command Chief Master Sergeant for Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. Air University provides the full spectrum of Air Force education, graduating 50,000 resident and 120,000 non-resident officers, enlisted, and civilian personnel each year from commissioning programs to the highest levels of professional military education. In his role as Command Chief, he serves as the advisor to the commander on matters affecting the professional development, education, health, welfare, morale and employment of enlisted members assigned to over 1,300 locations around the world. The Chief leads in the development and education of the Air Forces enlisted corps across their entire career. He works closely with senior enlisted leaders from other services to ensure development of enlisted joint professional military education.

Chief Slater was born in East St Louis, Illinois and entered the United States Air Force in June 1985. He has served in various leadership capacities in the Services career field. In August 2002, Chief Slater became a first sergeant and served at squadron and group levels. His assignments include tours in Asia and Europe. The Chief deployed in support of OPERATION Enduring Freedom as a first sergeant in Kandahar, Afghanistan. He has also served as Commandant



of Kisling Noncommissioned Officers Academy and the USAF First Sergeant Academy. Prior to assuming his current position the Chief served as the Command Chief, 81st Training Wing, Keesler AFB, MS.

EDUCATION

- 1991 Air Force Noncommissioned Officer Leadership School, Kadena AB, Japan
- 1995 Air Force Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Kadena AB, Japan
- 1995 Bachelor of Theology, Sacramento Theological Seminary and Bible College, CA
- 1996 Associates of Applied Science; Food Service, Hotel or Club Mgt, CCAF
- 2002 Air Force Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Gunter Air Station, AL
- 2002 United States Air Force First Sergeant Academy, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL
- 2003 Associates of Applied Science, Human Resource Management, CCAF
- 2008 Gettysburg Leadership Experience, Gettysburg, PA
- 2009 AFSO 21 Executive Leadership Course, Knoxville TN
- 2009 Masters of Arts in Religion, Liberty University Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, VA
- 2009 USAF Enterprise Management Seminar, Darden Business School, Charlottesville, VA
- 2010 Masters of Religious Education, Liberty University Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, VA
- 2010 USAF Leadership Enhancement Program, Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, NC

ASSIGNMENTS

Aug 1985–Jul 1989, Food Service Apprentice, 7th Bombardment Wing, Carswell AFB, TX Jul 1989–Jul 1996, Food Service Journeyman, 18th Wing, Kadena AB, Japan Jul 1996–Aug 1999, Dining Facility Manager, 92nd Air Refueling Wing, Fairchild AFB, WA Aug 1999–Aug 2001, Superintendent, Combat Support Flight, 39th Wing, Incirlik AB, Turkey Aug 2001–Oct 2002, Dining Facility Manager, Holloman AFB, NM Oct 2002–Aug 2005, First Sergeant, 14th Flying Training Wing, Columbus AFB, MS Mar 2004–Jun 2004, First Sergeant, 451st Air Expeditionary Group, Kandahar, Afghanistan

Aug 2005–Dec 2006, First Sergeant, 18th Wing, Kadena AB Japan

Dec 2006-Aug 2008, Commandant, Kisling NCO Academy, Kapaun AS, Germany

Aug 2008-Aug 2009, Commandant, USAF First Sergeant Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, AL.

Aug 2009-Apr 2011, Command Chief, 81st Training Wing, Keesler AFB, MS

Apr 2011–Present, Command Chief, Air University

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with seven oak leaf clusters Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters Air Force Achievement Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2002 Distinguished Graduate, First Sergeant Academy, Maxwell AFB, AL 2003 First Sergeant of the Year, 14th Flying Training Wing, Columbus AFB, MS 2004 Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award, 14th Flying Training Wing, Columbus AFB, MS

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Chief Master Sergeant, 1 Sep 2006

(Current as of April 2011)